

# Items of County News

News of our neighboring villages as gleaned each week by our staff of special correspondents

## BRECKENRIDGE LOCALS

By Special Correspondent

Deluxe ice cream—77-11-c.

On Thanksgiving day occurred a very pretty wedding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benson L. Hodge of Breckenridge, when their daughter, Miss Lucille, was united in marriage to Mr. Edwin M. Osborne of Flint. Rev. George A. Osborne of the M. E. church read the ceremony in the presence of about forty-five relatives and friends. At one o'clock to the strains of the Lohengrin Wedding March, played by Miss Marguerite Crawford, the bride and groom descended the stairs and were met by a bower of green crepe and white roses, in the center of which was suspended a white satin horseshoe, trimmed with pink roses. A bank of ferns formed a picturesque background. Miss Lila M. Hodge, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Miss L. R. J. Kewaway, brother of the groom, was best man. The bridesmaids were Misses Gladys Russell and Ivah Partee were bridesmaids and Mr. Ward Hodge, brother of the bride, and Mr. Lawrence Hodge, cousin of the bride, were groomsmen. Mildred Thomas and Lucille Neff were flower girls and little Lucille Neff was the ringbearer. Messrs. Foster Mitchell and John Hodge acted as ushers. The bride was charming in a simple but beautiful gown of white silk georgette crepe and satin with a bridal veil of tulle and a coronet of pearls. She carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses and lilies of the valley. The maid of honor wore a gown of pale green tulle and the two bridesmaids wore pink and blue georgette crepe. Each carried bouquets of pink roses. The flower girls were dressed in pink and white and carried baskets of roses. The little ring bearer wore white georgette crepe and carried the ring in a large pink rose. Preceding the ceremony, Mr. Ward Hodge sang "Oh, Promise Me." He was accompanied on the piano by Miss Marguerite Crawford. The color scheme of pink and white was evident throughout the wedding. The guests were seated at small tables which were decorated with pink and white roses. The favors were tiny white doves perched on golden trumpets. A pretty feature of the dinner was the enormous pink and white wedding cake which was cut and served by the bride and groom. The dinner was served by several young ladies dressed in white. The out of town guests present were: Mrs. Fonger, Miss Gladys Russell and Mrs. Ward Hodge of Marquette; Mrs. Melissa Duncan and Mr. and Mrs. LaValley of Columbiaville; Mr. and Mrs. Austin Hodge and son, John; Misses Ivah Partee and Gladys Thorpe and Messrs. J. R. Kewaway and Ray Bonwick of Flint; Mrs. Ella and Mrs. and Mrs. John Kroff and Mrs. and Mrs. C. P. Neff and children, Carroll, Helen and Lucille, of Lowell; and Miss Dorothy Jackson of Alma. Mr. and Mrs. J. Kewaway received many handsome gifts. They will be at home after December 20, in their new home in Flint.

Mrs. Marshall Hopkins delightfully entertained a small company of young people Thursday evening. Music, games and dancing were enjoyed and at a late hour dainty refreshments were served. The out-of-town guests were Miss Gladys Peyer of Frankfort and Miss Dorothy Swope and Mr. Milo Langworthy of Alma.

Miss Roberta Reed spent Thanksgiving day with friends in St. Louis.

Miss Lydia Rehfs spent the week end with friends in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. Forrest Bissell spent the Thanksgiving vacation in Toledo the guest of Milo Pomeroy.

Misses Linda Knorpp and Ethel Sabin spent Friday in Saginaw.

Miss Martha Hetzman, a student at Mt. Pleasant Normal, spent the Thanksgiving vacation with her mother, Mrs. Eva Hetzman, and family.

Messrs. Roy Anderson, Ralph Chisholm, Watson Crawford and Elwin McCall attended the State Y. M. C. A. conference at Flint over the week end.

Chalmers McCall is very ill with appendicitis in a hospital in Saginaw.

Misses Edith Doty and Oneta Stevens and Messrs. Fay Anderson and Clarence Hopkins who are attending Alma college, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with their parents here.

Miss Dorothea Swope and Milo Langworthy of Alma were the guests of Miss Marguerite Crawford Thursday.

Miss Gladys Peyer of Frankfort was the guest of Bert Muscott and family Thanksgiving day and over the week end.

Miss Ellen Doty, who is teaching in Ashley, spent the Thanksgiving vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Doty.

Miss Marguerite Shaver, who is attending Ypsilanti Normal, spent the Thanksgiving vacation with her mother, Mrs. Minnie M. Shaver.

J. Millard Hopkins of Riverdale spent Thanksgiving and the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Hopkins.

Misses Mayme and Ada Royal spent the week end with their parents in Bay City. They were accompanied by Miss Roberta Reed.

Miss Lila Pearce was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Roy Richardson, and family in Lowell, Thanksgiving.

Pure milk and cream sterilized and clarified in accordance with regulations of the Pure Food Department, corner Walnut and Court streets, Alma Creamery Co.—adv.

## RIVERDALE NEWS

By Special Correspondent

Albert Schnepf was an Alma visitor Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Parkinson and son, Dale, of Owosso were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Carmer and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Locey.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Van Alstine spent Thanksgiving with relatives near Winn.

Frank Schnepf and Elmer Beemis have been in Edmore the past week on business.

Miss Laura Sadler of Alma spent the week end with her parents.

Mrs. Lura Welch and children spent several days last week with relatives near Vestaburg.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Leonard have gone to Florida to remain for the winter.

D. M. Hagree, who has been seriously ill for the past two weeks, is gaining nicely.

Ervin Lewis of Detroit spent the week end with his parents.

Mrs. W. E. Rispin of Chatham, Ontario, is a guest of her sister, Mrs. E. M. Highfield.

Miss Mary Holland of Alma spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Holland southwest of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wolfgang spent the week end with relatives at Freeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Howe and children of Alma were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Van Lenben Thanksgiving.

Mrs. David Dutt has been spending the past ten days in Fremont, a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Roscoe Haines.

Mrs. Ford Osborn of Detroit is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Schaffer.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Erskin of Alma were in town Friday on business.

Mrs. S. Mack called on friends in Vestaburg Friday.

A very pleasant program was rendered at the M. E. church Thanksgiving evening. The children were well trained by the teacher of the Riverdale public school.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Britten spent Thanksgiving with their daughter, Mrs. Emma Baker, north of town.

Mrs. Carrie Treece has been spending the past two weeks with relatives in Toledo, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Lefter Beemis and son of Alma and Mrs. Robert Bartlett, northeast of town, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Beemis.

Richard Hudson of Detroit spent several days last week with his mother, Mrs. Cora Hudson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Tuttle and son, Robert, spent the week end with relatives at Linden.

Mrs. L. Bartlett has gone to Albion, New York, to remain for the winter with relatives.

Dr. and Mrs. Norman Brownridge and daughter, Margaret, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Bush north of Riverdale.

Paul Mack was in Alma Wednesday on business.

Miss Geneva La May has returned home from Houghton lake, where she has been working for the past six months.

E. M. Highfield and Mrs. W. E. Rispin spent Monday in Alma, guests of Dr. and Mrs. A. A. McNabb.

Mrs. E. Kilbourne of Lake City has been spending the past ten days with Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Parks and other relatives.

Mrs. Lee Schuger has returned home after spending the past two months in Alma nursing at Brainard Hospital.

Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Highfield and Mrs. W. E. Rispin of Chatham, Ontario, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Carney Sunday.

Jack Holsinger of Alma was a Riverdale caller Saturday evening.

Claude Manley visited relatives at Vestaburg Tuesday.

Mrs. Patrick O'Brien and daughter, Katie, of St. Louis have been spending the past two weeks at the Deane farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Arza Fisher of near Vestaburg, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fisher of near Summer and Mrs. Clyde Queen of Flint were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Fisher Thanksgiving.

Robert Bartlett spent the past week with relatives in New York state.

John Young was in Alma Monday on business.

## WRIGHT SCHOOL

An old-fashioned Thanksgiving day was observed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Webb Thursday, when the neighbors came to spend the day, with their baskets laden with Thanksgiving goodies. The spacious dining room was prettily decorated and three long tables, the length of the room, provided ample room for the diners.

Mr. and Mrs. John Morton spent a few days last week with their daughter in Howell.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Rogers entertained her family at Thanksgiving dinner.

Mrs. Fred Rockafellow entertained relatives from Ithaca Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. Wm. Bartley spent the week end in Saginaw the guest of her father who is quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hainline and daughter, Miss Louise, and Mrs. Rollo Hainline were St. Louis business visitors Friday.

Do You Enjoy Your Meals?

If you do not enjoy your meals your digestion is faulty. Eat moderately, especially of meats, masticate your food thoroughly. Let five hours elapse between meals and take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper and you will soon find your meals to be a real pleasure.

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## DAY OF FORTY-EIGHT HOURS

Fact About Measurement of Time With Which Some May Not Be Thoroughly Familiar.

Dr. Willis E. Johnson, in his work on "Mathematical Geography," shows that "portions of three days may exist at the same time between 11:30 o'clock a. m. and 12:30 o'clock p. m., London time. When it is Monday noon at London Tuesday has begun at Cape Deshnef, but Monday morning has not yet dawned at Atia Island. Nearly half an hour of Sunday still remains there. What is known as the "International Date Line" divides the days from one to the other, this being situated on the 180th meridian and running due north and south. There are two slight changes which have been made in it, for the sake of convenience.

While a day at any particular place is 24 hours long, each day lasts on earth at least 48 hours. Any given day, say Christmas, is first counted, as that day just west of the date line. The people just west of the date line, who first hailed Christmas have enjoyed 12 hours of it when it reaches England; 18 hours of it when it reaches central United States, and 24 hours of it, or a whole day, when it begins in western Alaska. Just east of the date line, Christmas, then, has existed 24 hours on the globe, but having just begun in western Alaska, it will take 24 hours longer among mankind. Owing, however, to the irregularity of the date line, days last more than 48 hours; in fact, 49 hours, 12 minutes.

## TO AROUSE HEAVY SLEEPER

Writer Recommends That It Be Done With an Ode, Preferably Not Too Powerful.

"What is the best method of waking a soundly sleeping person?" is a question quite a few millions of persons would like to have answered, there being few who have not or do not continue to exhaust every scheme and method known to them to rouse some heavy-headed members of their families in time to eat breakfast and get to the office or school on time.

"With an odor, undoubtedly," a well-known physician replied to the question. "The sense of smell is the most easily aroused of any of the five. We have trained ourselves to disregard noises—or else we would get no sleep at all in a city. In the country the same sounds which we utterly disregard in town would awaken us instantly," says the Kansas City Star.

"To shake a person is more or less successful, as a rule, but often it serves to only half rouse the sleeper, and he turns over and goes to sleep again, or if he does wake, he is apt to be in a bad humor. Any really unusual noise is effective, but one can't think of a new noise-making method every morning.

"When an odor is used, however, the sleeper wakes at once—is wide awake. Almost any odor will answer, if not too faint. Perfume of any kind is especially good. Ammonia, camphor—in fact anything with a decided odor will do, but it should not be too powerful, or the awakening will be violent."

## Sense of Taste.

The sensation of taste, while of common and constant experience, is highly complicated in its nature. What is commonly called taste is not a simple sensation at all, but rather a complex. In addition to the actual functioning of the apparatus properly pertaining to the sense of taste, the tongue receives impressions of various other sorts, all of which go to make up this complex. As finally recorded in the consciousness, the taste of any substance has to do with its heat or coolness, perhaps with a mild amount of pain, certainly with astringency or acidity—which are in themselves further complexities of thermal and tactile sensations—and above all with smell. The reader will probably agree that ice cream and coffee are entirely different from their true selves when served at an inopportune temperature; and it is a matter of record that a person of the keenest taste may be made to eat the most delicious of foods, blindfolded and with his nose stopped, to identify substances placed in his mouth.

## Where the Steak Went.

One rainy day I walked into a cafeteria, selected my dinner, and just as I stood at the checkers' desk the party in front of me took a step back, knocking the tray from my hands and spilling the entire contents on the floor. I thought as I looked at the unfortunate mess that I failed to see the steak which had been on the tray, but supposed that it had fallen under a chair out of sight. A waitress stepped up to me and told me to select my dinner over again, which I did, with every one in the place watching me. I bolted the food as quickly as I could and went out into the rain once more, when upon opening my umbrella the piece of steak which I had failed to see in the restaurant fell from it.—Chicago Tribune.

## She Didn't Change.

We had learned the family name of our new neighbors and so were somewhat surprised when their small daughter, while playing with our children, announced that her surname differed from the rest of the family.

"Why, that isn't your mama's name, is it," I asked?

"Oh, no, but she got married again, and you see I stayed just like I always was."—Chicago Tribune.

## Splendid Cough Syrup

"As I feel that every family should know what a splendid medicine Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is, I am only too pleased to relate my experience and only wish that I had known of its merits years ago," writes Mrs. Clay Fry, Ferguson Station, Mo. "I give it to my children when they show the slightest signs of being croupy, and when I have a cough or cold on the lungs a very few doses will relieve me, and by taking it for a few days I get rid of the cold."

## Treasure

By R. RAY BAKER

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It was a rather haggard, care-worn, frowning face that Gaylord Summer carried into the private den of Otis Lazard. He chewed more than smoked the cigar that his host gave him as they took seats before a crackling log that furnished heat and an atmosphere of comfort from its repose within the blackened confines of a fireplace.

No word was spoken for a spell. Lazard leaned back and waited for his friend to state his errand, but Summer seemed in no hurry. He simply champed on the cigar and occasionally partook of some smoke and stared dreamily and somewhat morosely into the fire. Finally he announced abruptly:

"I've quit my job."

Lazard's eyebrows elevated in surprise. "That's queer," he observed. "You haven't had it more than two months and it pays a pretty fair salary, according to my ideas. The Superior Auto company is quite some concern and to be its sales manager is no mean occupation. What's the idea?"

Gaylord rested his elbows on his knees and with his hands formed a cup for his square, determined chin. He sat in moody silence for another brief period, then smiled a wry kind of smile and explained:

"I'm going hunting—for that treasure of yours."

Lazard laughed, as though something had struck him as being ridiculously funny. When he recovered himself he said:

"You mean the treasure of the mountain, out in Oregon, some time after the conference dealt with a stream suffering from injuries received in falling from a cliff only a few yards away. He was so weak from loss of blood that it had taken him fully two hours to crawl to the stream, where he was endeavoring, with indifferent success, to bathe his most serious wound, which was in his right side. His right shoulder also had been badly wrenched and his entire body felt bruised."

"Treasure?" he laughed, hoarsely. "I found the cache all right, but the treasure—a lot of old tin cans and a pickaxe. Treasure! Bah! A wild-goose chase is right."

As he spoke he discerned a thin wreath of smoke ascending over a hill on the other side of the stream. He became curious and determined to get a glimpse over the crest of the hill. If it was his last act in this world, after resting a few minutes longer to gain strength, he staggered across the shallow stream and gained the opposite bank, where he rested again. This time he could scarcely stand on his feet, so he contented himself with crawling with the same speed and perseverance as a snail, toward the crest of the low hill. He paused frequently to gasp from the exertion, and he felt that he would like to go to sleep forever, something that was not at all unlikely to happen.

At last, with a final desperate effort, using all of the rapidly dwindling strength that he could muster, he dragged himself over the top of the hill and found himself looking down on a cozy-looking little hut. The smoke was from its chimney.

Otis Lazard drew rein and halted his horse.

"Hello," he called, and the door of the cabin opened. A young man came out.

"Well, what on earth are you doing here?" inquired the latter after greetings had been exchanged.

"I was told to take a trip for my health, so I came out here to look you up," Otis explained, as he dismounted. "I was afraid you might have got eaten up by mountain lions; and," he added, grinning sarcastically, "I was curious to learn whether you had found the treasure."

Gaylord's eyes lit up.

"Come on into the cabin," he urged, and Otis followed him.

A girl with a somewhat plain but attractive face, with hair that was a blend of auburn and gold, arose from a seat near a window.

"A friend of mine from the East has just arrived," Gaylord told her. "You may have met him in the East, but I believe not. His name is Otis Lazard."

Otis grasped the slender, well-formed hand that was extended.

"Mr. Lazard," said Gaylord, continuing the ceremony of introduction, "I want you to meet—the treasure."

Blacksmith and Dentist.

It is astonishing to find that there is anyone living at the present day who has had his teeth pulled out by the village blacksmith. Yet there are such.

It was quite a common thing at one time to go to the village blacksmith for extractions. His principal qualification for the job was a strong pair of pincers. After gripping the offending tooth with the pincers he would screw the long handles in a vise so that the patient could not move.

Then, putting a bar of iron in the fire till it was blazing hot, he would dab it at the victim's nose. He would, of course, violently draw back, leaving the tooth behind. It was all done very quickly and cleverly.—London Tit-Bits.

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## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

# The First State Bank

AT ALMA, MICHIGAN

at the close of business Nov. 17, 1919, as called for by the Commissioner of the Banking Department.

## RESOURCES

LOANS AND DISCOUNTS, viz:

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| a Secured by collateral | \$ 80,000.00 |
| b Unsecured             | 292,156.76   |
| c Items in transit      | 158,947.22   |
| Totals                  | 531,103.98   |

Savings

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| a Secured by collateral | 25,000.00 |
| b Unsecured             | 9,702.12  |
| Totals                  | 34,702.12 |

BONDS, MORTGAGES AND SECURITIES, viz:

|                                 |            |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| a Real Estate Mortgages         | 377,167.20 |
| d U. S. Bonds and Cert. of Ind. | 173,200.00 |
| f War Savings and Thrift Stps   | 100.00     |
| Totals                          | 550,467.20 |

RESERVES, viz:

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Due from Banks in Reserve    | 349,928.55 |
| Cities                       | 7,708.53   |
| Exchanges for clearing house | 28,908.00  |
| Currency                     | 11,692.50  |
| Gold Coin                    | 4,832.50   |
| Silver Coin                  | 675.88     |
| Nickels and Cents            | 403,746.26 |

U. S. Bonds & Cert. of Ind. carried as legal reserve 109,700.00

COMBINED ACCOUNTS, viz:

|                               |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Overdrafts                    | 617.55       |
| Banking House                 | 25,000.00    |
| Furniture and Fixtures        | 5,000.00     |
| Other Real Estate             | 5,114.78     |
| Outside Checks and other Cash | 657.85       |
| Items                         | 1,666,109.70 |

LIABILITIES

|                        |              |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Capital stock paid in  | \$ 50,000.00 |
| Surplus Fund           | 50,000.00    |
| Undivided Profits, net | 10,886.61    |

COMMERCIAL DEPOSITS, viz:

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Comm'l Deposits subject to ck. | 816,116.10 |
| Demand Certificates of Deposit | 94,212.60  |
| Certified Checks               | 2,857.65   |
| Totals                         | 913,186.35 |

SAVINGS DEPOSITS, viz:

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Book Accts.—Subject to Savings By-Laws             | 243,999.85 |
| Certificates of Deposit—Subject to Savings By-Laws | 398,836.89 |
| Total  | 642,836.74 |

Notes and Bills Rediscounted

|       |                |
|-------|----------------|
| Total | \$1,666,109.70 |
|-------|----------------|

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Gratiot, ss.

I, Carl H. Washburn, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear, that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and correctly represents the true state of the several matters therein contained, as shown by the books of the bank.

CARL H. WASHBURN, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of November, 1919.

FRANK O. PARKER, Notary Public.

My commission expires Feb. 23rd, 1921.

Correct attest:

LESTER A. SHARP  
FRANCIS KING  
CHAS. O. WARD  
Directors.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

# The Alma State Savings Bank

AT ALMA, MICHIGAN

at the close of business November 17, 1919, as called for by the Commissioner of the Banking Department.

## RESOURCES

LOANS AND DISCOUNTS, viz:

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| a Secured by collateral | \$ 18,411.86 |
| b Unsecured             | 313,618.59   |
| c Items in transit      | 11,073.84    |
| Totals                  | 343,104.29   |

Savings

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| a Secured by collateral | 22,723.62 |
| b Unsecured             | 25,812.53 |
| Totals                  | 48,536.15 |

BONDS, MORTGAGES AND SECURITIES, viz:

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| a Real Estate Mortgages | 181,748.68 |
| Total                   | 181,748.68 |

RESERVES, viz:

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Due from banks in Reserve    | 175,213.46 |
| Cities                       | 13,060.51  |
| Exchanges for clearing house | 20,014.00  |
| Currency                     | 641.10     |
| Silver Coin                  | 143.13     |
| Nickels and Cents            | 209,072.20 |

U. S. Bonds and Cert. of Ind. carried as legal reserve 15,150.00

COMBINED ACCOUNTS, viz:

|                               |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Overdrafts                    | 333.95       |
| Premium Account               | 16,300.00    |
| Banking House                 | 5,000.00     |
| Furniture and Fixtures        | 5,000.00     |
| Outside Checks and other Cash | 3,794.39     |
| Items                         | \$882,163.91 |

LIABILITIES

|                        |              |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Capital Stock paid in  | \$ 40,000.00 |
| Surplus Fund           | 15,000.00    |
| Undivided Profits, net | 7,051.68     |

COMMERCIAL DEPOSITS, viz:

|                             |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Comm'l Deposits sub. to ck. | 500,381.38 |
| Certified Checks            | 2,313.59   |
| Cashier's Checks            | 12,832.18  |
| Time Comm'l Cert. of Dep.   | 26.00      |
| Totals                      | 515,553.15 |

SAVINGS DEPOSITS, viz:

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Book Accounts—subject to Savings By-Laws           | 109,576.16 |
| Certificates of Deposit—Subject to Savings By-Laws | 203,982.92 |
| Total  | 304,559.08 |

Notes and Bills Rediscounted

|       |              |
|-------|--------------|
| Total | \$882,163.91 |
|-------|--------------|

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Gratiot, ss.

I, Karl R. Adams, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear, that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and correctly represents the true state of the several matters therein contained, as shown by the books of the bank.

KARL R. ADAMS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of Nov. 1919.

H. M. GLASS, Notary Public.

My commission expires Nov. 2, 1921.

Correct attest:

JAS. E. MITCHELL  
GEO. C. PARSONS  
DANIEL L. SHARRAR  
Directors.